

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	Michael Strobel, et al.
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Title of Application:	A Screw For Medical Purposes And A Driving Tool
Confirmation No. 8504	Art Unit: 3743
Examiner	Kathryn Odland

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Preliminary Amendment

Applicants herewith present its Preliminary Amendment and remarks. Please amend the claims as detailed below.

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